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# RESOLUTION

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY AUGUST 31, 2024

NO: 25-07

**WHEREAS**, this great nation has been plagued by the numerous problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, there is hope in winning the war on drugs, and hope lies in the hard work and determination of our communities to create a drug-free environment; and

**WHEREAS**, local leaders in government, schools, business, and the community know the support of the people in the neighborhoods is the most effective weapon they can use in their efforts to reduce the demand for illegal drugs and drive away the supply; and

**WHEREAS**, the International Overdose Awareness Day established by the Penington Institute aims to raise awareness of overdose and reduce stigma of a drug-related death, and also acknowledges the grief felt by families and friends remembering those who have met with death or permanent injury as a result of drug overdose; and

**WHEREAS**, Overdose Awareness Day is a global event that spreads the message that the tragedy of overdose death is preventable; and

**WHEREAS**, in promoting healthy, positive, alternative lifestyles choice, our schools offer scheduled substance awareness programs at each level, utilizing an interdisciplinary approach.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby declares its support of

### INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY AUGUST 31, 2024

and urges all schools, departments, groups, individuals, business partners, parents, and community leaders to join in this effort to achieve a drug-free America.

Given in Fort Lauderdale, Florida this 21st Day of August 2024

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

APPROVE: \_\_\_\_\_

Lori Alhadeff, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Howard Hepburn, Superintendent of Schools